

PATENT APPLICATION

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1616**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Takashi HIROKAWA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1616

Application No.: 10/543,039

Examiner: M. CHUI

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For: AGRICULTURAL AND HORTICULTURAL WATER DISPERSIBLE GRANULE

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the November 17, 2010 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejections is requested in view of the following Remarks.

I. Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103

A. Misselbrook in view of Becher

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 3, and 5–14 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 4,511,395 to Misselbrook ("Misselbrook") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,908,882 to Becher et al. ("Becher"). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Claim 1 recites: "An agricultural and horticultural water dispersible granule comprising an agricultural chemical compound of which a melting or softening point is 70°C or below, a salt of N-acylamino acid that has an acyl group having 8 to 24 carbon atoms, and an adsorbent carrier."